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FIELD NOTES

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ARTHUR ROGERS, DIV. B, WATERVILLE, MAY 16:

WARDEN ORAL D. PAGE, BELGRADE: SALMON FISHING HAS BEEN FAIRLY GOOD IN MESSALONSKEE LAKE. WHITE PERCH ARE STARTING TO BITE NOW IN ALL SPAWNING AREAS.

WARDEN OLIN JACKSON, SOUTH CHINA: FISHING NOT TOO FAST IN MOST AREAS NOW. ALTHOUGH SOME VERY GOOD SALMON BEING TAKEN AT ST. GEORGE LAKE. CHECKED A FOUR AND ONE-HALF POUND SALMON RECENTLY. DEER SHOWING UP WELL ALL OVER THE DISTRICT. HAD A REPORT OF 15 DEER COMING OUT IN ONE FIELD IN VASSALBORO. 15,000 TOGUE PLANTED IN CHINA LAKE RECENTLY.

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ALANSON NOBLE, DIV. A, CASCO, MAY 22:

WARDEN CHARLES COCHRAN, LIMERICK: DEER ARE SHOWING UP VERY WELL NOW AND WOODS OPERATORS ARE REPORTING A LOT OF NESTING PARTRIDGES. TROUT FISHING VERY SLOW.

WARDEN VERNON WALKER, SPRINGVALE: ALL LAKES IN MY DISTRICT ARE PRODUCING FISH. I'VE HAD A SIX-POUND BROWN TROUT TAKEN FROM WILSON POND, A FIVE-POUND BROWN FROM SQUARE, AND A FOUR-POUND TOGUE FROM GREAT EAST. MOUSAM HAS BEEN GOOD FISHING; THE FISH THERE HAVE ALL BEEN IN THE TWO TO THREE-POUND CLASS.

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR JOHN SHAW, DIV. E, WILTON, MAY 16:

A LARGE HEREFORD COW WAS KILLED BY A BEAR IN THE WELD AREA RECENTLY. THE OWNER, DAN WEBB, OF WILTON REPORTED THE KILL. I INVESTIGATED THE SITUATION AND FOUND THAT THE BEAR HAD PULLED THE UNBORN CALF FROM THE COW AND EATEN HALF OF IT. PHIL COPP, A BEAR HUNTER FROM COPLIN, WAS CALLED IN AND THE BEAR WAS CHASED. SEVEN DOGS WERE TURNED IN ON THE CHASE AND THEY HAD SOON CAUGHT THE BEAR WHICH THEY HELD FOR 15 TO 20 MINUTES. THE BEAR WAS STUBBORN AND WOULDN'T TREE. WE WERE ABOUT 200 YARDS FROM THE SCENE WHEN THE BEAR STARTED TO MOVE AGAIN, FIGHTING OFF DOGS AS HE WENT. WE GAVE HARD PURSUIT BUT IN VAIN AS THE BRUIN WENT OVER HURRICANE MT. AND INTO THE AVON AREA, DOGS AND ALL. THE FINAL RESULTS OF THE CHASE WERE UNKNOWN AS THE WIND CAME UP AND WE WERE UNABLE TO HEAR THE DOGS. TWO DOGS WERE INJURED IN THE CHASE, AND THE OTHERS WERE PICKED UP LATER IN THE DAY AT SCATTERED POINTS.

WARDEN EBEN PERRY, RANGELEY: RANGELEY LAKE HAS BEEN PRODUCING SOME VERY GOOD FISHING. MOST OF THE SMALL PONDS ARE STARTING TO PRODUCE SOME GOOD CATCHES OF FISH, AND THE WATER IS DOWN WELL ENOUGH IN THE BROOKS AND STREAMS TO MAKE GOOD FISHING THREE WEEKS EARLIER THAN MOST YEARS.

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WARDEN MARTIN SAVAGE, OQUOSSOC: THE FISHING ON AZISCOOS LAKE IS THE BEST I HAVE EVER SEEN. EVERYONE CATCHES FISH, MOST LIMITS, WITH TROUT IN THE TWO AND ONE-HALF TO THREE-POUND CLASS AND MANY SALMON.

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR DAVID PRIEST, DIV. G, LINCOLN CENTER, MAY 17:

WE HAVE HAD A VERY GOOD FISHING SEASON SO FAR THIS SPRING. THE SMELT RUNS WERE BETTER THAN AVERAGE THROUGHOUT THE DIVISION AND THE TROUT FISHING ON MOST OF OUR WATERS HAS BEEN EXCELLENT WITH MANY GOOD SIZED FISH.

WE ARE GETTING ABOUT THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF DEER HIT BY CARS. WE HAVE ALSO HAD TWO MOOSE HIT.

BEARS HAVE BEEN REPORTED SEEN BY QUITE A FEW PERSONS BUT I HAVE SEEN ONLY ONE ALL SPRING.

BLACK FLIES AND MOSQUITOES SEEM TO HAVE WINTERED WELL. THEY ARE PLENTIFUL AND SEEM TO BE LARGER WITH MUCH LARGER APPETITIES THAN USUAL.

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